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BEFORE THE VIRGINIA GAS AND OIL BOARD

SUPPLEMENTAL ORDER REGARDING
RELEASE OF INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE LEINS
UNIT U-17, TRACT 5

VIRGINIA GAS AND OIL BOARD DOCKET NO. 93-0420-0363-02

## REPORT OF THE BOARD

## FINDINGS AND ORDER

- 1. This Supplemental Order is issued pursuant to provisions of Article 2, § 45.1-361.13 et. Seq. of the Virginia Gas and Oil Act. The Supplemental Order is being recorded for the purpose of completing the record regarding requirements for future payment of royalties subsequent to disbursement of funds from the Board's Escrow Account.
- 2. Findings: The Board finds that:
  - (a) An order pooling all interests in Oakwood Coalbed Methane Field Unit U-17 ("Subject Drilling Unit") for the production of natural gas from coalbeds was filed with the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Buchanan County in Deed Book 413 at Page 237, and was supplemented by the Board's Supplemental Order Regarding Elections that was filed in Deed Book 422 at page 453 ("Pooling Order").
  - (b) The Pooling order showed Bill and Geneva Ratliff as claimants of coalbed methane gas in Tract 5.
  - (c) To the extent claims to the Gas were in conflict, pursuant to Va. Code § 45.1--361--22 payments attributable to said conflicting claims were ordered deposited by the Unit Operator into the escrow account established by the Pooling Order (herein "Escrow Account").
  - (c) Subsequent to a Motion for Judgment filed on August 14, 2000 in the Circuit Court of Buchanan County, Virginia Styled DONALD RATLIFF, et al v. HARRISON-WYATT, LLC, Case Number: CL187-00, the Court ruled in favor of plaintiffs, including Bill and Geneva Ratliff. That Decision was appealed to the Virginia Supreme Court and that the Supreme Court, in final non-appealable order, affirmed the Circuit Court opinion.
  - (d) Subsequent to the Court's decision, the Board issued an order, recorded in Deed Book 620 at page 81, authorizing the escrow agent to disburse funds attributable to Tract 5 and the interests of Bill and Geneva Ratliff ("Disbursement Order"). The Order acknowledged testimony and prior orders indicating the existence of a U. S. Internal Revenue Service lien against the Ratliff property, and prescribed payment of escrowed funds and future royalties in the following manner:

Bill and Geneva Ratliff's interests in Tract 5 are subject to liens recorded by the U. S. Internal Revenue Service (IRS). Testimony and supporting documentation presented to the Board at its February 15, 2005 hearing indicate that a settlement has been reached with the IRS in which the IRS agrees to a 50/50 split of escrowed funds and future payments, less attorney fees, that are attributable to Bill

and Geneva Ratliff. Peter Glubiak, attorney for Ratliffs and other prevailing plaintiffs, testified that all payments should be made jointly to him and Ratliffs and he will be responsible for deducting appropriate fees and forwarding remaining funds to appropriate parties. Future payments are to be paid in like manner until the liens are satisfied.

- Board-escrowed funds were disbursed to Bill and Geneva Ratliff in accordance with the Board's order.
- (f) The Board has been notified by Peter Glubiak, attorney of record for Bill and Geneva Ratliff, that the Internal Revenue Service has released the tax lien. A copy of the Glubiak letter with Internal Revenue Service attachment, identification numbers redacted, is attached to and made a part of this Supplemental Order.
- 3. Order: By this order, the Board deletes the provisions of the Disbursement Order that require payment of future royalties to be made jointly to Peter Glubiak, attorney for Ratliffs, and Ratliffs. All future Royalty payments attributable to Unit U-17 and the interests of Bill and Geneva Ratliff in VGOB Tract 5 shall henceforth be payable directly to Bill and Geneva Ratliff, and mailed directly to:

Bill and Geneva Ratliff HC65 Box 5 Oakwood, Virginia 24631

- Conclusion: Therefore, the requested relief and all terms and provisions set forth above be and hereby are granted and IT IS SO ORDERED.
- Effective Date: This Order shall be effective as of the date of its execution.

DONE AND EXECUTED this  $\frac{19}{100}$  day of  $\frac{1}{100}$ ,  $\frac{1}{100}$ , by a majority of the Virginia Gas and Oil Board. Chairman, Benco R. Wappler

DONE AND PERFORMED this 19/2 day of fant, 2007, by Order of this

Principal Executive To The Staff

Virginia Gas and Oil Board

STATE OF VIRGINIA )
COUNTY OF WASHINGTON )

Acknowledged on this 19th day June , 2007, personally before me a notary public in and for the Commonwealth of Virginia, appeared Benny Wampler, being duly sworn did depose and say that he is Chairman of the Virginia Gas and Oil Board, and B. R. Wilson, being duly sworn did depose and say that he is Principal Executive to the Staff of the Virginia Gas and Oil Board, that they executed the same and was authorized to do so.

Notary Public

My commission expires: 9/30/09

## PETER G. GLUBIAK ATTORNEY-AT-LAW GLUBIAK LAW OFFICE

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April 18, 2007

Mr. Bob Wilson, Director Virginia Division of Gas and Oil P. O. Box 1416 Abingdon, VA 24212

In Re: BILL RATLIFF - TAX LIEN RELEASED

Dear Bob:

I enclose a copy of a letter received by Bill Ratliff from the IRS releasing him from any further collection with regard to the referenced tax lien, along with a copy of the letter from my office to the IRS. As you know, this lien was referenced by you in the orders for disbursement on Mr. Ratliff's behalf and therefore sent to my office with checks written to the order of Bill Ratliff and Geneva Ratliff, C/O Glubiak Law Office, for my disbursal of the appropriate amount to the IRS. Since this is no longer an issue, I would kindly ask that you take the appropriate action to have Mr. & Mrs. Ratliff's check sent directly to them at HC 65, Box 5, Oakwood, Virginia 24631.

By copy of this letter, I am forwarding copies of same to CNX Gas Company, LLC, C/O Petroleum Financial, Inc., 309 West 7<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 200, Fort Worth, Texas 76102, as well as to CNX Gas Company, LLC, at 2481 John Nash Blvd, Bluefield, WV 24701.

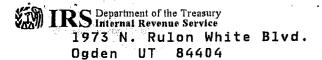
Thank you for your help and cooperation, and I would appreciate you immediate attention to this matter.

Peter G. Glubiak

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Cc: Mr. Bill Ratliff

CNX Gas Company, LLC (w/enclosures)



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BILL RATLIFF HC 65 BOX 5 DAKWOOD VA 24631-9706057

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Social Security Number:

Tax Period(s):

June 30, 1995

Form: CVPN

Dear Taxpayer:

We received payments totaling \$469.28 for the tax period(s) shown above. However, the time allowed by law for collecting the amount due has expired. Therefore, you are under no obligation to make these payments. Please let us know what you would like us to do with your payments by checking the appropriate box below. Then sign and return this notice WITHIN 30 DAYS from the date of this letter.

[ ] apply the payments to this account. (not legally required)

return the payments.

Your signature

3-27-01 Date

Your telephone number ( )

Hours 8 AM - 6PM

LIMITATIONS ON CREDIT OR REFUND (Period for Filing Claim) Under section 6511 of the Internal Revenue Code, the taxpayer has the following periods in which to file a claim for credit or refund of a tax overpayment: A. When the taxpayer is required to file a tax return, the claim must be filed within 3 years from the date the return was filed or 2 years from the date the tax was paid, whichever is later. If a return was not filed, the taxpayer must file a claim for credit or refund within 2 years from the date the tax was paid. B. The taxpayer has 3 years to file a claim for credit or refund of a tax overpayment when the tax was paid with a tax stamp.

If you have any questions, please call Dave Montgomery at 801-620-4692 between the hours of 4:30p.m. and 12:00a.m.MDT. If the number is outside your local calling area, there will be a long-distance charge to you.

If you prefer, you may write to us at the address shown at the top of the first page of this letter.

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